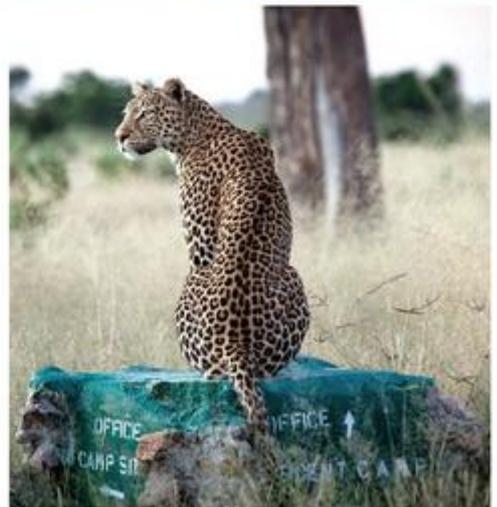


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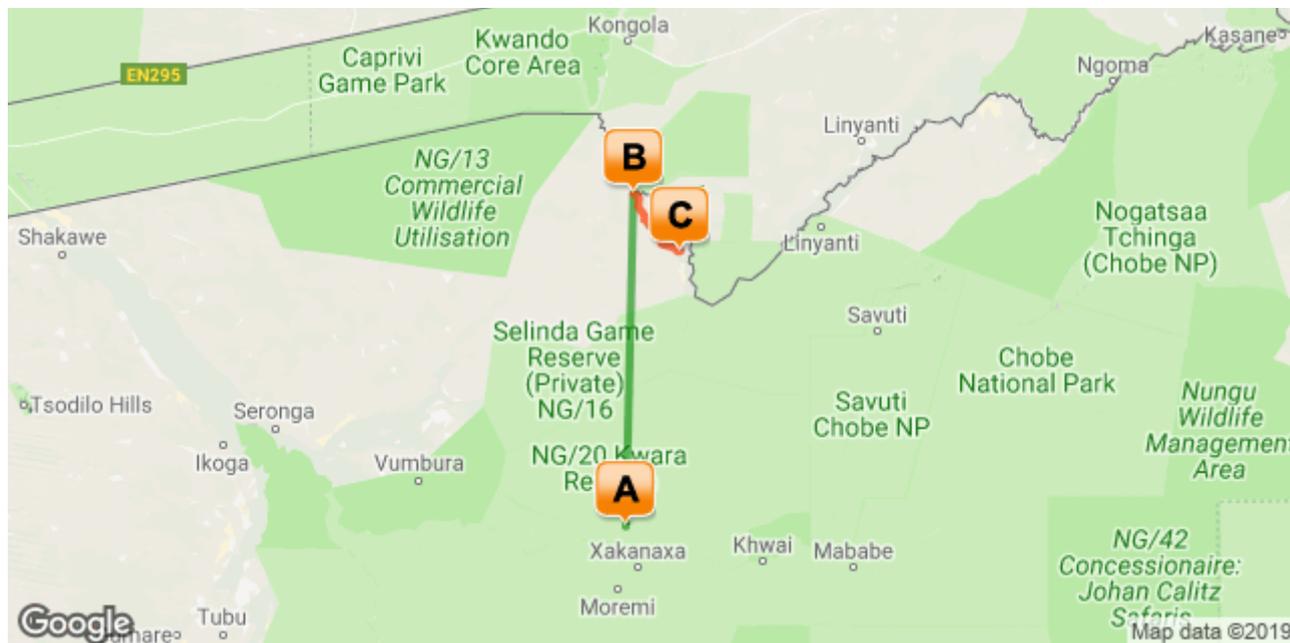
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Okavango Delta - Linyanti Concessions

9 Days / 8 Nights

Start Maun / Ends Maun



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Introduction

Start	Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Day 1	Kwando Splash Camp	Okavango Delta	FI	3 Nights
Day 4	Kwando Lagoon Camp	Linyanti Concessions	FI	3 Nights
Day 7	Kwando Lebala Camp	Linyanti Concessions	FI	2 Nights

Key

FI: Fully Inclusive

Transport

Flight Information

Date	Flight	Details
Day 1	Mack Air	Maun Airport [MUB] - Kwara Camp Airstrip
Day 4	Mack Air	Kwara Camp Airstrip - Kwando Lagoon Airstrip
Day 9	Mack Air	Kwando Lebala Airstrip - Maun Airport [MUB]

Transfers

Date	Company	Details
Day 7	Lagoon Camp	Lagoon - Lebala

Cost of the safari 2020

Season	Cost per person sharing	Single Supplement	Average nightly rate per person
05 January - 31 March 2020	US \$ 4440	US \$ 0	US \$ 550 per person per night sharing
01 April - 30 June 2020	US \$ 7790	US \$ 2530	US \$ 970 per person per night sharing
01 July - 31 October 2020	US \$ 9830	US \$ 3510	US \$1230 per person per night sharing
01 November - 14 November 2020	US \$ 7790	US \$ 2530	US \$ 970 per person per night sharing
15 November - 19 December 2020	US \$ 4440	US \$ 0	US \$ 550 per person per night sharing

Special notes

- Please note that a Christmas surcharge applies for travel between 20 Dec – 04 January at all camps - please contact us for a quote specific to your travel dates
- Lagoon and Lebala camps may be inter-changed at no additional cost (example 2 nights Lagoon and 3 nights Lebala). Splash may be upgraded to Kwara Camp for additional cost (varies with seasons)
- Contact us for special offers that may override these prices, released sporadically throughout the year
- Kwando 5 Rivers rates are included in the green season pricing (05 January – 31 March 2020 & 15 November – 19 December 2020. As per the above dates 20 December – 4 January annually carry a surcharge – please contact us for pricing.
- Single supplement is for accommodation only, applicable when travelling with more than 2 guests and excludes a flying surcharge for guests travelling solo – rate available on request.
- Please note that where a booking crosses over 2 different rate periods e.g. Oct & Nov, neither rate is applicable – please request a special quote
- The above rate is subject to change due to major currency fluctuations, fuel surcharges and increases in National park fees
- Subject to availability at the time of booking - should any accommodation on the itinerary not be available at the time of booking, you will be offered a similar alternative.
- Pre and post safari arrangements on request

Family Friendly

The minimum age for this safari is 6 years old - pricing on application. Please note that there may be limitations on activities at certain ages. All properties have a family tent/room (subject to availability) and all offer a

discount for children of selected ages when sharing with parents, rates vary with number and age of children. Individual lodge policies: Splash, Lagoon & Lebala camps all welcome children from the age of 6 upwards and a private vehicle is required (additional cost) for families with children under the age of 12. Please note that some of the various camp's activities are restricted and the minimum age for walking at all the camps is 12 and would be subject to season and availability of a qualified walking guide. The minimum age for mekoro activities (at Splash) is 12 and these activities are water level dependent. All activities for children are at the discretion of the guide and managers.

Park Fees and Departure Taxes and Tourism Levy

Please be aware that Park Fees, Conservation Levies, VAT, Airport Taxes and Government Levies may increase in 2020. Regrettably such increases are beyond our control and are excluded from any bookings, provisional or confirmed. We will inform you should any increase be advised.



Travel for Impact – Responsible Travel

By booking this itinerary, you donate USD\$2 for every night of travel per person on the booking. Your donation goes to Travel for Impact (TFI) and ensures that your safari has a meaningful impact on the people who live locally. For more information on giving back to your chosen destination of travel, visit www.travelforimpact.com



Feed a Child Botswana

Safari Specialists contribute USD\$5 per person per booking to Feed A Child Botswana. This contribution goes directly towards the purchase of Nutri-meal, a fortified cereal provided to undernourished children in our local community in Maun.



Okavango Air Rescue

Please note that we include Okavango Air Rescue patronage. They provide paramedic or Doctor assisted helicopter medical evacuation as required, in conjunction with your travel insurance. Please discuss further details with your consultant and visit www.okavangorescue.com

Day 1 - 4: Kwando Splash Camp, Okavango Delta

On arrival at Maun Airport you will be met by Safari Specialists who will assist with check-in for your light aircraft transfer to Kwara Airstrip. Your guide will meet you on arrival to assist with your road transfer to Splash Camp. Here, you spend three nights on a fully inclusive basis.

Please note that the flight is booked on a 'seat rate' basis and therefore flight times are not scheduled until the day prior to flying, lodge managers will arrange your activities and transfers accordingly. Please note that there is a strict luggage restriction on all light aircraft flights of 15kg per person in soft bags, plus 5kg hand luggage and there may be up to 3 stops en-route.



The Okavango Delta is where the wild things are: an immense, waterlogged oasis alive with elephants and birdlife, adrift in the middle of Kalahari sands. The real magic of the Delta lies in its water, trickling through from far away highlands, and spreading across the channels and floodplains.

During winter in the Kalahari, when the sun has baked the earth bare and turned the desert its driest, water fills the Okavango; transforming the floodplains into a Noah's Ark of African wildlife.

As the water brings life to the delta, its local residents shape and recreate it. Termites slowly build mounds into islands, germinated with palm trees by passing elephants. Waterways open and close on the whim of wide-bottomed hippos, carving out channels where they crash through reeds, and leaving room behind them for exploration by mokoro.

The Okavango has many faces, which change throughout the year, prompted by that most unpredictable diva of all: the weather. Water levels rise and drop, expanding and shrinking islands, while animals move where the life is easiest and the grass greenest. In a few days, a sandy road driven by vehicle can become a waterway of unknowable depth, prompting a safari by boat instead.

Where and when you stay in the Okavango Delta will hugely influence what you do in the bush each day, the animals you're most likely to see and finally, the safari experience you'll have.

The delta's watery heart is best discovered by mokoro through shallow channels and floodplains, as well as crossing the islands on foot. For less water and more of the big game, visit a camp on its drier edges (including Moremi Game Reserve and the Khwai Community Area), jump on a vehicle and seek out the animals hiding in the woodlands.

Overnight: Kwando Splash Camp [View iBrochure](#)

Includes: meals, local drinks, activities & laundry

Excludes: premium drinks

Activities: day & night game drives, guided walks and seasonal boat cruises, mokoro excursions and basic fishing (seasonal & depending on water levels)

Splash Camp is located in the vast Kwara private concession within the heart of the Okavango Delta, alongside the Moremi Game Reserve. This exclusive setting amidst shady trees boasts permanent water and seasonal floodplains together with classic bush wilderness.

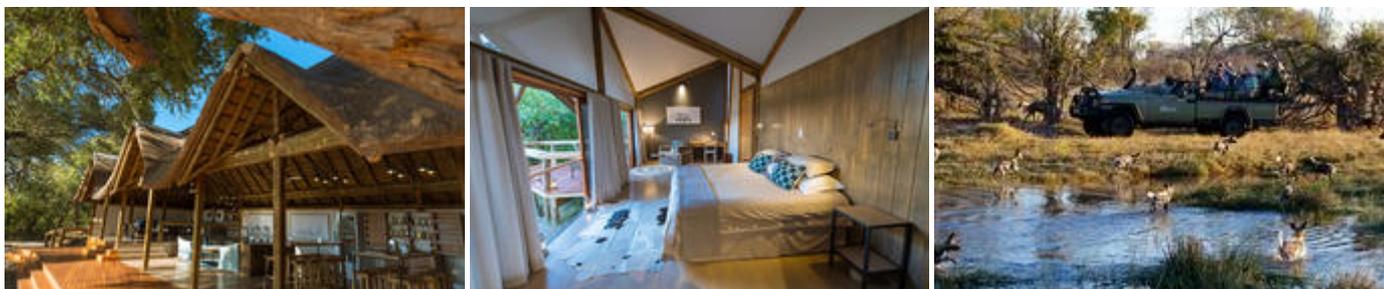
Twelve tents, two of which are family rooms, are set upon individual decks with spectacular views over a pan which attracts a variety of wildlife. All rooms are en-suite with double basins and indoor-outdoor showers. Simple yet graceful contemporary furnishings enhance the ambience of the camp.

Splash Camp's main area has a lounge, bar, curio shop and plunge pool. Meals are served al fresco in the boma area in front of the camp looking towards the lagoon.

Within the camp is the intimate Splash Enclave, offering exclusive use for six to ten guests. The Splash Enclave has a private main area with lounge, bar, dining area and plunge pool. With no age restrictions, the Enclave is ideal for families or small groups.

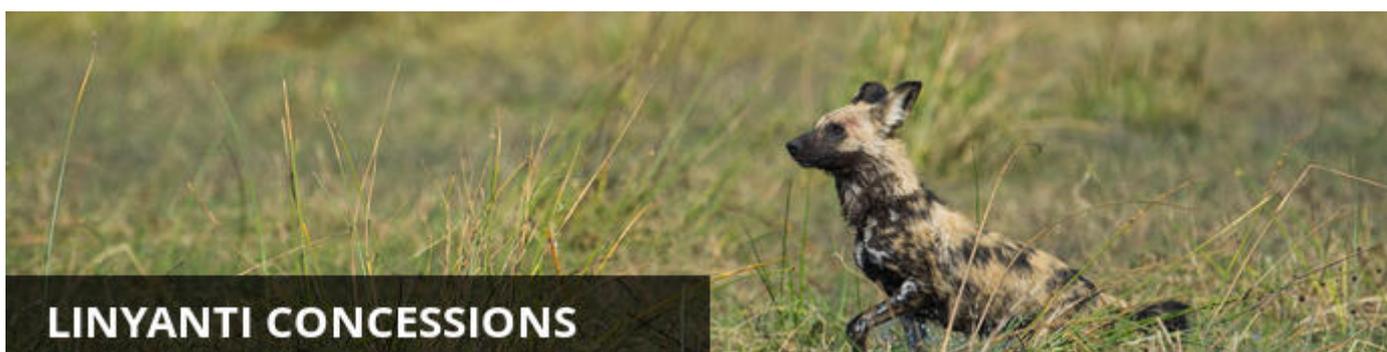
Both day and night game drives and bush walks are conducted by experienced guides and trackers. Seasonal, water level dependent activities offered are boat cruises, mokoro excursions and basic, leisure fishing. Game viewing in the area is considered phenomenal and it is a true birder's paradise. Seasonal visits to the local heronries (bird numbers permitting) are a must for keen birders.

Airstrip transfer time: 40 minutes from Kwara Airstrip



Day 4 - 7: Kwando Lagoon Camp, Linyanti Concessions

Following breakfast and a morning activity (flight time permitting), you will be transferred to the airstrip in time for your light aircraft transfer to Kwando Airstrip. Your guide will meet you on arrival to assist with your road transfer to Lagoon Camp. Here, you spend three nights on a fully inclusive basis.



The Linyanti is a safari addict's bush nirvana. One of the most remote and exclusive pockets of Botswana, this pristine wilderness is what great game viewing and wildlife documentaries are made of.

Only private concessions are on offer here, where the rules are flexible and the crowds can't go. The Linyanti is not just for ticking off the big game; it also has a knack for delivering lesser-spotted bucket list items, whether it's a rare bush pig or that long-searched-for wild dog.

Very few camps operate in the Linyanti. Each offers different habitats and landscapes with one common theme: a strong track record for game viewing during Botswana's drier winter months. Together with the Chobe Riverfront, the Linyanti homes the highest density of African elephants in the world. Many camps also offer seasonally dependent water-based experiences, be it on a spillway, river, lagoon or channel to break up the game drive routine.

Just one of the Linyanti's concessions alone is twenty times the size of Manhattan, yet only forty people can stay during any night of the year. If Botswana puts a heavy emphasis on preserving the wild and taking only a handful of people into the bush, then the Linyanti is where this concept is taken to the extreme.

Here, you can follow the big game off-road, whether in a white-knuckled pursuit of a lioness chasing buffaloes, or during a quiet crawl off-track to see wild dog puppies emerging from their den for the first time.

Possibilities exist for exploring the bush on foot for adrenaline-pumping game approaches, and many camps offer game viewing hides for a more relaxed approach to wildlife sightings, or even overnight sleep outs.

Overnight: Kwando Lagoon Camp [View iBrochure](#)

Includes: meals, local drinks, all game viewing activities & laundry

Excludes: premium drinks

Activities: day & night drives and seasonal walking at the guides discretion. Boating & fishing (seasonal and water level dependent)

Lagoon Camp is situated in the Kwando Reserve, a huge private reserve covering 2,300km². Most of its western side is dense mopane forest but along the Kwando River is a band of lush riverine forest, interspersed with open plains. The area attracts superb big game, especially during Botswana's dry season when elephants seem to be everywhere.

Lagoon Camp has 8 comfortably appointed safari style tents overlooking the lagoon. One of the tents serves as a family room. The tents have en-suite facilities, his and hers basins, flush toilet and a spacious inside bath tub and inside & outside showers.

The camp has a plunge pool, lounge, bar, gift shop and dining room with a shady area overlooking both the lagoon and is a favoured spot where elephants come to drink and also have a raised library that overlooks the lagoon.

At Lagoon Camp the activities concentrate around open vehicle game drives. Game walks are on offer but are at the guides' discretion due to the concentrations of elephant. Lagoon Camp offers off road night game drives, offering guests to see the fascinating nocturnal wildlife in the area.

Activities are focused on game drives. During periods of high water levels, water activities may be possible but not guaranteed.

Airstrip Transfer Time: 15 minutes from Kwando Airstrip



Day 7 - 9: Kwando Lebala Camp, Linyanti Concessions

The camp managers will arrange your transfer time to Lebala Camp around activities or as part of a game drive. The road transfer is approximately 3 hours to Lebala Camp with game viewing en-route, where you are staying for 2 nights on a fully inclusive basis.

Overnight: Kwando Lebala Camp [View iBrochure](#)

Includes: meals, drinks, all game viewing activities, laundry & return airstrip transfers

Excludes: premium drinks

Activities: game drives, night drives and seasonal walking at the guides discretion

Lebala Camp fronts onto the Linyanti Wetlands where the perennial and southerly flowing Kwando River disappears into the vast marshes before emerging as the Linyanti River, flowing in a north easterly direction. Lebala means "wide open spaces" in the local Setswana dialect which aptly describes this incredible area.

The eight spacious tents are unique, each built on a raised teak deck and open with expansive views, laid out with maximum comfort and privacy in mind. One of the 8 tents is a family room with 2 bedrooms and a shared bathroom. The tents have an entrance foyer with a reading and writing area, en-suite bathrooms with Victorian claw foot bathtubs, "his and hers" washbasins and flush toilets. The bathrooms lead out to a reed enclosed open-air shower with hot and cold running water on demand. The main lodge is under thatch featuring a bar, dining area and open lounge connected on wooden walkways to a plunge pool on raised decking and the boma area.

At Lebala Camp, the activities concentrate on open vehicle game drives and walking safaris. However, game walks are at the guides' discretion due to the concentrations of elephant. Lebala Camp offers off road and night game drives - night drives being a specialty at Lebala with its high-visibility plains.

The wetlands and flood plains around Lebala offer a wonderful variety of wildlife with excellent sightings of elephant, hippo, lechwe, zebra, giraffe, impala, wildebeest, kudu, tsessebe, roan, sable, buffalo and the ever present predators; wild dog, lion, cheetah and hyena.

Airstrip Transfer Time: 15 minutes from Lebala Airstrip



Day 9: End of Itinerary

Following breakfast and a morning activity (flight time permitting), you will be transferred to the airstrip in time for your light aircraft transfer to Maun Airport. A Safari Specialists representative will meet you on arrival at the airport to assist with your onward travel.

Travel Information

- Please take note of our Booking Terms & Conditions. It will be understood that these have been read and accepted by you on receipt of confirmation of the booking.
- For your safety and peace of mind, on confirmation of your booking, we strongly recommend that Travel Insurance is arranged to cover cancellation, curtailment, emergency evacuation, medical and repatriation expenses, damage/theft/loss of personal luggage, money and goods.
- Road and air transfers and activities are quoted on a seat basis (shared) unless otherwise requested or specified. Passengers may have various stops en-route to a destination. The transfer or charter company reserves the right to specify departure and arrival times. Private charters can be requested at an additional cost.
- Passengers weighing over 100kg should please advise us at the time of booking, as we may need to cost in an additional seat on internal flights for your safety and comfort.

- The costs are subject to change at any time due to fluctuations in fuel costs, taxes, levies, government regulations, rate of exchange and factors that are imposed upon us by our suppliers that are beyond our control.
- Please advise us of the ages of children (under 18) travelling, together with their date of birth, at the time of booking as not all lodges accept children and there may be restrictions or conditions which can affect pricing.
- We recommend that optional activities be booked in advance at time of confirmation to guarantee availability e.g. Helicopter Flight of the Angels in Victoria Falls
- Please allow a minimum 2-3 hours connection time in Johannesburg for international flights. It is important that you check that your flight tickets have been issued in your full names as per your passport.
- We require full payment for international and domestic scheduled flights at the time of confirmation e.g. Air Botswana Johannesburg to Maun, Proflight Livingstone - Lusaka and so on. We are not able to guarantee any flights before receipt of payment as seats are often held for a limited period before ticketing is required so this is a time sensitive issue. Air tickets are considered non-refundable unless otherwise specified. Please confirm the details with your consultant at the time of booking.

Passports, Visas and Travel Documentation

Your passport must have at least 6 months validity before the expiry date and 6 empty pages (not including the endorsement pages). The onus is upon guests to ensure that passports and visas are valid for the countries visited. Please note that certain visas can take up to 3 months to be processed so please consider this when booking.

If you are travelling with children through Southern Africa please be aware that you will be required to have certified copies of their unabridged birth certificates, and passports on hand. If you are not their legal parents, or if only one of you is travelling – you will need to have consent in the form of an affidavit giving you permission to travel with the child.

Inter-camp transfers

Due to the vast distances involved in travelling in the remote areas of Southern Africa - your itinerary may include road, boat and air transfers in small aircraft.

On shared air transfers, all the flight times between lodges are arranged a few days before the flights take place to avoid endless schedule changes. The lodge or camp where you are staying will be advised of your departure time the day before travel and will ensure that you are at the airstrip on time. Although every effort will be made to ensure that guests are transferred together in one vehicle / aircraft, this cannot be guaranteed, especially with larger groups. The aircraft used for inter-camp transfers vary in size from 3, 5, 7 and 12 seater aircraft. We recommend that guests susceptible to motion sickness take appropriate precautions due to flying conditions.

Weight & Luggage Restrictions

There are strict luggage restrictions in place on any itinerary, which includes light aircraft transfers for safety reasons. Luggage, including camera equipment and hand luggage, is restricted to 20 kg per person travelling on seat rates. Only soft bags will be accepted - no hard suitcases or bags with wheels can be transported, as they physically cannot fit into the aircraft.

The maximum dimensions of the soft bags that can be accommodated are as follows: 25cm/10 inches wide x 30cm/11 inches high and 62cm/24 inches long. Please keep in mind that the baggage compartments on the light aircraft are only 25cm high, so the pilots must have the ability to manipulate the bag into the compartment. Note that laundry can be done on a daily basis at most camps and lodges.

Should you arrive with excess baggage without prior warning, your baggage could be delayed, as we may have to fly the baggage into camp at a later stage at considerable extra cost to you. However, should you notify us in advance that your baggage will exceed the limit; we may be able to assist you with alternative arrangements e.g. storage or purchase of additional luggage allowance.

For bookings including flights within Zambia & Mozambique, please note luggage weight exceptions under destination information.

Lost Luggage

Lost luggage on international flights is a common problem facing travellers today. We suggest that you pack a small bag with your essentials, including any life sustaining medication, which can be carried with you as hand luggage. If travelling as a couple or family we suggest that you split your clothing between bags so that if one bag gets lost, you will have basic items on hand to see you through the first couple of days while we try and recover your lost baggage.

Please note that whilst we try our utmost to locate and re-unite you with your bags, that there may be charges involved in getting your bags to remote areas, which would be for your cost. Please remember to report the lost luggage to the airline as soon as you make the discovery - the airline will issue you with a Baggage Claim Form, which you will need in order for us to trace the bag.

Health and Dietary

Please note that you are travelling to a Malaria-risk area. Please consult your doctor for medical advice prior to travel.

Although usually safe to drink, we do not recommend that you drink the tap water. Filtered water is available at the camps and lodges.

The camps are isolated and generally have limited power supply and access to supplies. Please notify us in advance of any special dietary requirements, medical conditions and medical equipment you may need with you. Please carry critical medication in your hand luggage.

Yellow Fever Certificates - are only required if you have travelled to a Yellow Fever area as designated by the World Health Organisation. Please check with your Travel Clinic or doctor well in advance of your departure date.

General Travel Information

- There is no or limited electricity and cell phone coverage in the camps and lodges excluding major towns and cities. All camps do make provision for charging cameras and electronic devices.
- Please ensure that you do not pack any valuables, cameras, cash, laptops in your checked in luggage – these should be kept on your person at all times.
- Please notify us immediately of any changes to flight arrival and departure details as this affects onward transfer arrangements.
- Please note that most camps & lodges in Botswana do not have double beds. Twin beds are pushed together to make up a double room.
- Although every effort is made to adhere to schedules the company reserves the right and in fact is obliged to occasionally change routes and camps on safaris as dictated by changing conditions or unforeseen circumstances.
- By confirmation of the booking, you acknowledge that you have been made aware and accept that the tour carries inherent risks, and that you voluntarily assume all risks which are associated with the tour. You will be required to sign indemnities at the various camps, lodges and service providers, and abide by their operators code of conduct in order to ensure your safety.
- If you have any cause for complaint while travelling, you should immediately bring it to the attention of the camp manager and / or our Maun office that will attempt to resolve the situation immediately.
- Do not remove any animal artefacts, flora or fauna from any of the areas you visit, as there are strict international regulations on the export of such items.

Please refer to the **Safari Information** for further details on preparing for your safari.



Visa

Some visitors need to apply for visas before arrival please check with your Embassy.

For more information on visas please visit the following address:

Botswana Government - Visa Requirements

BORDER CROSSINGS

Currency

The currency of Botswana is the Pula (BWP). US\$ Dollar notes (2007 Series onwards), and Visa and MasterCard are accepted.

Internal Flights and Transfers

Due to the remote areas the camps and lodges are based in, transfers between camps may take place by boat, mekoro, game drive vehicle or light aircraft.

Flight times around Botswana | Approximate flying times

Flight duration times (as listed below), are to be used as an average guideline. They are based on actual flying time, and passengers may have various stops en-route to a destination affecting the total travel time. Your pilot will brief you of your flight route and duration during the safety briefing.

Maun - Delta:	15 to 30 minutes
Delta – Delta:	10 to 20 minutes
Delta - Linyanti:	30 to 40 minutes
Maun – Linyanti:	50 to 60 minutes
Linyanti - Kasane:	40 to 60 minutes
Maun/Delta - Kasane:	60 to 80 minutes
Maun - Makgadikgadi/Desert:	40 to 60 minutes

Departure Taxes

Departure taxes are included in ticket prices.

Weight & Luggage Restrictions

See Booking Information
